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SUBJECT: US REGULATIONS CONCERNING IMPORTATION OF IVORY PRODUCTS

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1. EMBASSY HAS BEEN VISITED BY SEVERAL AMERICAN BUSINESSMEN SEEKING A CLARIFICATION ON THE CURRENT STATUS OF IMPORTS INTO US OF IVORY PRODUCTS/MANUFACTURES FROM INDIA.

2. WE QUOTE BELOW A TELEX MESSAGE THAT A US BUSINESSMAN HARY NEUFELD RECEIVED FROM HIS PARTNER ANDREW CHARNE OF LIZARD IMPORTS/EXPORTS, SAN FRANCISCO CONCERNING IMPORRATON OF IVORY PRODUCTS:

BEGIN QUOTE: THE TOTAL PERMANENT BAN ON IMPORTING ALL ASIAN IVORY GOES INTO EFFECT JULY FOURTEENTH AS PER RUMORS. MR. YEE (CUSTOMS INSPECTOR SAN FRANCISCO) TOLD ME THE ONLY WAY IT CAN PASS CUSTOMS HERE IS WITH A COUNTRY OF ORIGIN DOCUMENT PROVING IT'S AFRICAN IVORY. IT MUST BE DECLARED (GARBLED) THAT IS LAXODONTA AFRICANA. YOUR SUPPLIERS MUST GET THE COUNTRY OF ORIGIN DOCUMENTS FROM THEIR SUPPLIERS. CEASE AND DESIST ALL PURCHASING AND ORDERING. REPEAT STOP ALL BUYING AND ORDERING UNTIL YOU HAVE COUNTRY OF ORIGIN DOCUMENTS PROVING "LOXO-DONTA AFRICANA". END QUOTE.

3. INDIA MANUFACTURES IVORY GOODS FROM ASIATIC AND AFRICAN  
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ELEPHANT IVORY (B).

4. REFERENCE (A) INFORMED THE DEPARTMENT INTERIOR,FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE, DIVISION OF LAW ENFORCEMENT, T.L. STRIEGLER, THAT THE ENFORCEMENT OF EXPORT BAN ON IVORY PRODUCTS/MANUFACTURES HAS BEEN HELD IN ABEYANCE BY THE GOI UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. THIS INFORMATION IS STILL CORRECT AND EXPORTS OF IVORY ARE PERMITTED.

5. PLEASE ADVISE IF ANY U.S. IMPORT RESTRICTIONS ON IVORY PRO-  
DUCTS ARE IN EXISTENCE OR ARE CONTEMPLATED.SAXBE

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